

GRAND DUKE NICHOLAS IS CUT OFF

FROM THE CZAR'S ARMIES ON RIVER

Power of Offensive for Some Time Passes from the Russian Forces.

ARE COMPLETELY WHIPPED

Shortage of Munitions May Force Them Almost to Quit Military Operations.

LONDON, June 24.—(By Associated Press.) With the exception of a small front along the river, Dniester, all the armies of Russia are either within or on their own frontiers.

Heavy fighting was reported to the north of Lemberg even before the fall of the city, so that Grand Duke Nicholas, commander of the Russian forces, may have had some difficulty in withdrawing his men to their new line along the river, Bug.

Military critics in London are admitting reluctantly today that the power of offensive has passed for some time from the hands of the Russians, while special dispatches from Petrograd declare that it even may be years before the Austro-German aggressiveness can be worn down. It is generally admitted that Russian, like England, is not suffering from lack of men but that a shortage of munitions has prevented the initiation of a general allied offensive expected early this summer.

Heavy engagements marked the operations along the western front yesterday. The French were the objects of vigorous counter attacks by the Germans who are seeking to recover the positions lost by them in the month of June. Each side reports slight advances but the relative positions have been little changed.

The lack of naval news of the last few days has been relieved by the admiralty announcing that the cruiser, Roxburgh, torpedoed in the North sea, was so little damaged that it was able to proceed under its own steam.

Posters calling for recruits to Lloyd George's army of munition workers were issued today.

ANOTHER SUCCESS FOR TURKEY IN CAUCASUS

CONSTANTINOPLE, June 23, by wireless to Berlin and London, June 24.—Another success for the Turks in the Caucasus is reported in an official statement issued tonight at the war office, which says:

"On the afternoon of the twenty-third on the Caucasian front in the direction of Olti, after bitter fighting the Turks captured about one and three-fourths miles on the Karabagh heights in the district of Kizilirmak. The enemy fled toward the north. The Turkish forces captured several hundred cases of munitions and a quantity of war material."

BRITISH CRUISER IS ATTACKED BY A SUB

BERLIN, by wireless, June 24.—Official announcement was made here today that a German submarine had attacked on Sunday, June 20, a British armored cruiser, apparently of the Minotaur class, at a point about 100 miles from the mouth of the Forth, Scotland. The cruiser was hit by a torpedo but the effect of the attack could not be ascertained by the crew of the submarine.

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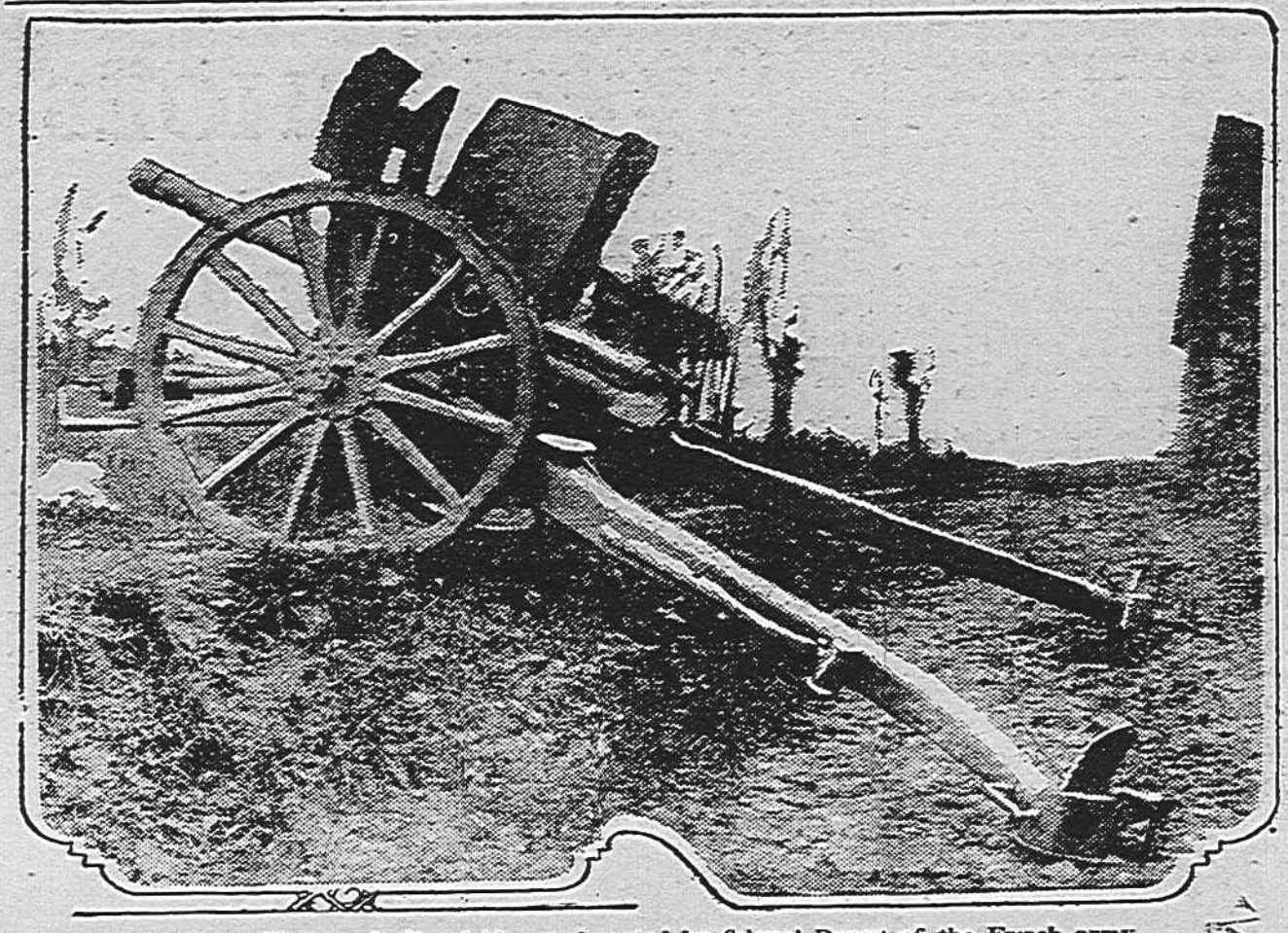
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ITALY'S NEW 75-MM. GUN IS LAST WORD IN FIELD ARTILLERY



The new Italian field gun, invented by Colonel Deport of the French army. The Italian field batteries have recently been partially armed with a 75-mm. gun of the Deport pattern. The mechanism of this gun was invented by Colonel Deport, who was the principal designer of the 75-mm. French service gun, which has earned such great praise in the western theater of the great war. The Deport gun is remarkable for its lightness when compared with the weight of its shell power. The gun fires a 16-pound shell and weighs with its shield slightly under a ton.

Declaration of Independence Will Be Read at Fourth Celebration

Of the Fourth of July at the Fair Grounds Here Monday, July 5.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE NAMED Consisting of Representative Citizens to Have Charge of the Ceremony.

An ancient and honored custom which has not been observed here for several years will be revived this year at the Independence Day celebration of the fair grounds Monday, July 5. This is the reading of the Declaration of Independence, which is done at all big Independence Day celebrations throughout the country. Many Clarksburg citizens will recall the reading of the declaration at celebrations in this country years ago. It is particularly appropriate that this declaration, so sacred to Americans, should be brought to mind at this time.

The general committee in charge of the celebration here has appointed the following special committee of representative citizens to have charge of the ceremony:

Harvey W. Harmer, G. W. Dudderar, Judge James W. Robinson, I. Wade Coffman, L. K. Richards, the Rev. W. C. Taylor, Dr. E. N. Flowers, V. Highland, P. B. Haymaker, G. H. Gordon, the Rev. G. D. Smith, S. C. Denham, F. C. Gaylord, Roy E. Parrish, Charles M. Har, Charles W. Furber, the Rev. P. H. McDermott, Charles O. Fluharty, Robert Morris, Wilbur C. Morrison, B. F. Robinson, W. A. Harrington, B. F. Shuttleworth, M. A. Nuebaum, D. M. Ogden, Frank Feinberg, M. G. Sperry, R. B. Willison, L. C. Crile, Dr. E. F. Wehner, John Flanagan, Charles G. Coffman, I. F. Lawman, J. J. Lyden, John McNeel, E. W. Eakin, C. H. Harding, John L. Ruhl, J. Philip Clifford, Ray L. Strother, Hugh Jarvis John J. Dolan, Prof. F. L. Burdette, Lucius Hoge, Jr., John O. Brooks, Judge Raymond Maxwell, O. H. Burghman, J. M. Francois, Lloyd P. Sanders, Clarence W. Leggett, the Rev. W. E. Lamberd, A. J. Fletcher, W. H. Lewis, Will E. Morris, W. Frank Stout, W. I. Booth, Harry B. Curtin, C. B. Alexander, George L. Duncan, Henry Raymond, Dr. W. P. Goff, G. C. Finley, R. T. Lowndes, H. E. Travis, J. N. Carskadon, Dr. U. W. Showalter, R. E. Martin, J. T. Swager, J. Carl Vance, John Ross, Jr., Dr. Cecil O. Post, W. S. Siers, Robin Harrison, Howard Post, Mildred F. Snider, E. G. Smith, D. J. Carter, J. W. Agnew, R. A. Farland, Dr. Harvey V. Varner, Charles B. Johnson, S. H. Wells, Thomas Coleman, Clyde M. Crist, S. E. Bentley, James T. Keenan, John P. Gandv, Harvey Johnson, John Cottrill, Charles Shinn, George B. Chorpensing, A. P. Stewart, Howard Robinson, M. Pearlman, R. J. Gazley, James F. Allen, Luther Hammond, W. S. Simeral, J. M. Swartz, Isaac J. Coston, W. J. Parkhill, D. W. Jacobs, C. E. Prunty, T. J. Lynch, Oscar C. Witt, S. S. Longbaugh, Rock Bell, Frank J. Welch, Dr. J. F. Williams, Calvin Wilson, Ben Maple, W. T. Byrd, J. W. Williams, John A. Tierney, J. M. Crouch, W. H. Cole, John A. Barnes, L. J. Lockwood, E. V. Connell, John Craig, John D. McReynolds, Luke Murray, Dr. J. E. Smith, J. W. Tracy, C. C. McCarty, George C. McKinley, Osman E. Swartz, P. H. Kobler, W. A. Gaylord, C. S. Wayne, F. C. Welch, John O'Hare, E. M. Wilson, Frank G. Bland, Charles M. Ernst, H. Davis, A. Judson Findler, John C.

PEACE POSSIBILITY

Is Being Discussed by President Wilson and His Friend, Colonel House.

NEW YORK, June 24.—President Wilson reached New York at 6 o'clock this morning on his way to Roslyn, L. I., to spend the day with his friend, Colonel E. M. House, and discuss the impressions the colonel has received from his recent voyage to Europe. Col. House was expected to tell the president of his interviews with leading officials of Germany, Great Britain and France regarding the possibility of peace and questions which have arisen between those governments and the United States. The president will leave Roslyn at 7:13 o'clock tonight. His car will be attached to the federal express and he will continue his journey to the summer capital at Cornish, N. H.

AUTO ACCIDENT

Causes the Death of Two Persons and Severe Injury to Another.

CHICAGO, June 24.—O. W. Franklin, 35 years old, of Burlington, Ia., and Mrs. Eva Lau, 25, of Chicago, were killed and J. Wicker, of High Point, Ia., and Miss Mattie Briggs, of Chicago, were severely injured here today when the automobile in which they were riding struck a wagon.

HARRY K. THAW DOES NOT FEAR

DEDICATION

Week at New Methodist Episcopal Church at Adamston to Begin Sunday.

Dedication week will begin at the new Methodist Episcopal church at Adamston Sunday, and will end Sunday evening, July 4.

The program for next Sunday is an interesting one. The main address of the day being by Governor H. D. Hatfield at 8 p. m. The Rev. J. E. Bird, former pastor of the First Methodist Episcopal church here but now of Charleston, will preach at 10:30 a. m.

Following is the program for Sunday:

9:15 a. m.—Sunday school rally. S. S. Kirkpatrick, superintendent.

10:30 a. m.—Evanglistic service. The Rev. J. E. Bird, D. D.

2:30 p. m.—Evanglistic service. W. M. Miller.

6:45 p. m.—Epworth League, Ray Compton, president.

8 p. m.—Address by Governor H. D. Hatfield.

HEART TO HEART

Is to Be Held by Warden with Four Trusted Suspects of Murdering His Wife.

JOLIET, Ill., June 24.—Important developments in the investigation of the murder of Mrs. Edward M. Allen, wife of the warden of the state penitentiary, were expected today when the coroner's inquest was resumed.

Warden Allen planned to have a heart to heart talk with each of the four suspected trustees. Allen believes that a sentimental appeal for the truth will accomplish more than severe cross-examination. The warden said he thought this method was the only one left with which to establish the identity of his wife's slayer.

The decision of Warden Allen to continue the policy of placing every convict on his honor was accepted by the prisoners with grateful spirit. The men directed a letter to Allen asking him to remain in charge of the prison, the appeal being signed by the 1,700 convicts of the penitentiary.

PUBLICATION

Of a Berlin City Newspaper is Resumed after a Short Ordered Suspension.

BERLIN, via London, June 24.—The Tages Zeitung, publication of which was suspended last Monday by the German authorities, reappeared today. The suspension order against this paper was issued, according to the general understanding, because of an article on the America note to Germany unfriendly in its tone to the United States.

FIRST SUBMARINE

Purchased by the United States Government is Sent to the Junk Pile.

PHILADELPHIA, June 24.—The first submarine boat purchased by the United States government was sent to the junk pile yesterday. It was the Holland-4. The little craft, only a mile compared with the submarines now making history in Europe, was to be broken up of the material that is in it. The Holland-4 was completed in 1900 and cost \$150,000.

"BIG R" FISHERS GET READY FOR OUTING

Party to Go to the South Branch of the Potomac July 16.

A prospectus, neatly printed in two colors with illustrations of the Big R fishing camp of 1915 is being distributed by L. K. Richards and others of the city who get up this annual outing.

The sixth annual assembly of the Big R camp—Mr. Richards says the "R" stands for "roughnecks," not Richards—is to start July 16 on the Stump farm, five miles above Romney on the South Branch of the Potomac river, and will continue for two weeks. Roughnecks (this can be changed to Rowdy, Rube or Richards at pleasure), is now booking persons for the party. According to the prospectus, each person "matriculating" will be required to "cough up" thirty perfectly good dollars of United States vintage, which will cover the entire expense for the two weeks' trip. If anyone spends more he will have to go five miles out of the way to do so. The fee includes food, leaving larksburg on No. 12 the evening of July 16. If Pullman is used but one way there will be a reduction of \$2. The rate for those not participating in the railroad service will be \$1 a day and \$5 for incidentals. All campers are expected to have their baggage at the railroad station July 16 as the baggage car will likely precede the party to Greenspring Run.

The prospectus tells what will be needed and what will not be needed for the trip. In the latter are included full dress suits and note is made that about one-half dress will be more Pullman car leaving Clarksburg on No. 12. Campers will have the privilege of putting their feet under a table that is not a "pipe dream" although made of gyp. Servants will be there to prepare and serve the meals. All the campers will have to do is to digest their food—well—and be happy. A pond will be furnished those who want to take boat rides.

WEDDING BELLS

Will Not Ring for Couple because They Could Not Agree on Home Place.

ALDERSON, June 24.—There will be no wedding bells for Miss Sibby Dunbar and Caperton Dixon because they could not agree on where they would reside after they were married. The wedding feast had been prepared and the license obtained. A short time before the time set for the ceremony the couple took a drive, hoping to settle their differences, but when they returned they were no nearer an agreement than when they started, and Dixon drove away leaving Miss Dunbar in tears.

"If I give in now, I'll have to all the rest of my life and I won't stand for that," he said.

SEVEN VESSELS SUNK

LONDON, June 24.—Seven fishing vessels known as drifters have been sunk by a German submarine off the coast of Scotland. Most of the crews were saved.



Senator Newlands.

That the time is now ripe for the United States to mediate in the European war, that President Wilson is the ideal man for this task, and that the first proposal of terms should come from Germany, since on the continent of Europe that nation at present has the advantage, is the opinion of Senator Francis E. Newlands of Nevada.